



Gordon Schlichting

August 14, 1939 - April 4, 2008

Gordon John Schlichting, age 68, formerly of Deer Creek, passed away on April 4, 2008 at his home in rural Wadena, Minnesota. He was born on August 14, 1939 to Paul and Elsie Schlichting in Wadena. Gordon was united in marriage with Luella Mae Scofield on August 23, 1958 in Hewitt. He was involved with 4-H, Boy Scouts, the Rice Creek and the North Dakota Hunting Dog Clubs, and the National Guard for 8 years. Gordon was a lifetime member of the community and retired from the United Parcel Service after 32 years. He enjoyed his family, hunting, fishing, dog training and woodworking. Gordon was preceded in death by his parents; daughters, Kriste and Kerry; and brother, Vernon Schlichting. He is survived by his wife; son, Gordon John (Marlene) Schlichting II; grandchildren, Brent, Phillip and Jason; mother-in-law, Bertha Scofield of Wadena; brother-in-law, Allen Scofield of Garfield; son-in-law, Joel (Sue) Brandvold of St. John, ND; nieces, nephews and cousins. Pallbearers were John Herr, Paul Friedrich, Bob Wallgren, Elroy Evans, Kermit Jensen, Jason Friedrich, Bill Hart, and Kevin Grondahl. Funeral services were held at 11:00AM on Tuesday, April 8, 2008 at St. John Lutheran Church in Wadena with Reverend William Stockman officiating. Interment will be at Wadena Cemetery in Wadena.

Tribute Wall

GF

“ *Gordon Jr. & family we are so sorry to hear of the loss of your dad, he was a great guy and enjoyed his company at many a hunt test.*
Carla & Greg Fryar

Greg and Carla Fryar - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ *Dear Family:*
My deepest sympathy goes to you for your loss. Gordon was truly a gentleman in the the truest sense. I was honored to know him and judge with him. May God bless you and yours!

You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Larry

Larry R. Heil - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NJ

“ Dear Lu and family,

I remember Gordy from 4-H dog training and how he was always able to get those stubborn dogs to do what he wanted. Always amazed me!! When I think of 4-H-I think of dog training and Gordy. He was a great teacher!! He really positively impacted so many lives through the time he volunteered with 4-H. Wish I could have told him that!!

You are in my thoughts and prayers!!

Sincerely,

*Nancy Johnson
Leaf River Builders 4-H
1977-82*

Nancy Johnson - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Gordie meant so much to Dad and Margie - a second father to them both. The friendship shared with Gordie and Lu was true and deep. Thanks for teaching an old dog - my Dad - some new tricks, Gordie. You were one of a kind. Blessings and heartfelt sympathy in this loss.

Dan and Trisha (Grondahl) Reed - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ I was terribly sorry to hear that Gordie passed away. From my limited interactions with him I know he was a great guy dedicated to his family and his dogs. I know the other members at NDRC always appreciated it when Gordie attended our events. I worked closely with him on several occasions and also judged with him. He always wanted to help out the club. It was a privilege to work with him and become a friend. He was the real deal in terms of being an honest forthright person dedicated to making the retriever community better. He set a great example that all should follow.

My sincere condolences are extended to all of you. It is so difficult to lose family and friends.

Dan and Patsy Hove - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ Gordie was a gentleman in every sense of the word. He always had a kind word for everybody and made the time to teach and encourage people who were giving the sport a try. He was always there willing and ready to pitch in and give a helping hand when needed. He always treated others with dignity and respect and went out of his way trying to teach others to do the same. Gordie leaves behind a world that has been made better by his being a part of it.

Rest well Gordie, you leave behind big shoes to fill.

Mike Kuehne - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ We are saddened to hear of Gordon's passing. What we will remember is his genuine warmth and passion for the things he loved. We will miss his whimsical stories about Earl and his training endeavors. His jovial character and reliance will be greatly missed by all whose lives he touched. Our deepest condolences to his family at this sorrowful time. He was truly a great person and we were blessed to have known him.

Mary & Randy Spangler - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Gordon was the Guy who always asked what can I do to help, and he meant it. He was always there for all of us. Gordon will be missed by many of us, and all of the people he touched.

John and Karen Blackbird - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ Sorry for your loss. our thoughts and prayers are with you. Gordie will be deeply missed.

Matt and Kathy Peters - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ I have known Gordon for about 15 years, ever since I became involved with running Retrievers. Gordon and I have judged and worked countless Hunt Tests together. He was a member of the ND Retriever Club for a number of years and always made it a point to be at our events to help out. He would even bring his 4 wheeler to use at our events. He was a great man and will be missed dearly.
David

David & Ellen Lybeck - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Please accept our sincere condolences on the passing of your dear husband and father. You are in our thoughts and prayers at this very difficult time.

We will miss Gord at the park in Nestor Falls. We loved to watch him take off for fishing early in the morning and training his dogs with love and adoration. It was something very special to watch. He had many friends in our park who will miss his friendship dearly. With deepest sympathy to the whole family,
Shane and Kurt Sachse

Shane and Kurt Sachse - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PD

“ The number of people you touched will never be truly measured. You became a standard for generosity and willingness to do more than your part with a quiet sincerity and unassuming manner. The world is smaller with your absence. I'm proud to have been your friend.

Paul Danahy - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

FM

“ The dog world and the rest of the world have lost a great man. I know that Gordon is in a better place now, and will be greatly missed by all. We just want Gordon's family to know that we can't take away your sorrow but share in their sadness and grief.

Fay & Abraham McCaleb - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Gordon was a man's man, with the touch of a butterfly, the intelligence of a road scholar, and the patience of an angel; and best of all, he was my friend

J. P. & Linda Martin - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NA

“ *The Hunting Test and dog world has lost a great friend in Gordon. He has touched so many people with his easy manner and friendly way and was always there to help. All of us at NFHRA will miss him deeply.*

Northern Flight Hunting Retrievers Association - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ *Sorry to hear about Gordons death. He now is at a happy hunting ground playing with his past dogs and enjoying their company. Thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

Troy Tilleraas - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ *Gordie was one of the most genuine people you could ever meet. His love of dogs was infectious and rubbed off on whoever was around. We were lucky to have known him and will miss him each time we go to the line.*

It will not be the same at the Rice Creek HT's without him ramrodding the event. His participation in the starting of the GMHTA will always be remembered, as will the special bond he shared with his son. Gordie you will be missed by Sheila and I and all of the people you have touched and helped over the years. We are better to have known you.

Chuck & Sheila

Chuck & Sheila Stokes - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DA

“Gordie touched an awful lot of lives. In the dog world, always quick to welcome newcomers and make them feel like they truly belonged.

I'll miss seeing the always smiling face, hearty handshake, and the ever genuine "How are you?"

Doug Asfaly - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DR

“Gordon,
So very sad to hear the news about your father. I know that you were very close to him, from the wonderful stories you told. Our prayers are with you and your family.

Deb Rollings

Sam Rollings

Deb Rollings - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GL

“I only had the pleasure of meeting Gordon, Sr. once, but knew much about him through Gordie. By the amount of respect that Gordie has for his father, Gordon must be a great man that had a large impact on many lives. On behalf of the SHS staff, our thoughts and prayers are with Gordie and the entire family

Garrett Lathe - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DC

“We were so sad to hear of Gord's passing. We will truly miss him at the lake this summer. We all enjoyed watching him train his show dogs and he made quite an impression with the kids. His fishing stories and get togethers will be missed by all his friends at Parkview. Our love and sympathy to the family at this very sad difficult time..

Doreen and Bob Conlon - April 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM